

MINUTES OF MEETING OF UTAH LAKE & JORDAN RIVER WATER USERS  
SATURDAY, MARCH 31 1934.

In accordance with notice by letter and newspaper given by the State Engineer, the water users of Utah lake & Jordan river Distribution System convened in the State Engineer's office at 10 a.m. March 31 1934 (adjourning to the Utilities Commission Hearing Room in State Capitol Building) to consider the appointment of a Water Commissioner, his salary etc; also other matters relating to water distribution on the Utah lake & Jordan river system for the season of 1934. The following were present:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Company Represented</u>
Hyrum Bennion	Bennion Mill & Ditch
Hyrum Beckstead	North Jordan Canal Co.
Willard Richardson	Gardner Ditch
Byron J. Trane	Gardner Ditch
George D. Keyser	Salt Lake City
W.D. Beers	Salt Lake City
Jos. Hibbard	South Jordan Canal Co.
Jos. S. Mousley	Mousley Ditch
Heber A. Smith, Pres.	Draper Irrigation Co.
Martin Rasmussen	Utah & Salt Lake Canal Co.
Jas. H. Jensen	Utah & Salt Lake Canal Co.
J.R. Allen	East Jordan Irrigation Co.
H.R. Sadd	Utah Copper Co.
A.J. Evans	Utah Lake Distributing Co.
Mark Austin	
Hardin Bennion	
J.A. Conyers	
C.W. Morse	Galena Canal
Archie Bennion	North Jordan Canal Co.
B.H. Beckstead	Beckstead Irrigation Ditch
R.M. Holt	South Jordan Mill
D.E. Greenwood	Sandy Canal Co.
J.P. Gordon	Mill Creek
E.B. Jones	Utah Lake Distributing Co.

The State Engineer read the call and stated that the form of consultation as prescribed in Section 100-5-1, Revised Statutes of Utah 1933, could best be had in his opinion in such meeting as here assembled, and gave a brief report of the distribution on Utah lake and Jordan river for 1933; expressed his appreciation for the cooperation given by the Commissioner and the water users and presented a financial report showing



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receipts of \$3094.45, Disbursements of \$3470.08 and a deficit of \$375.63. He called attention to assessments unpaid for 1931 and 1932 in amount of \$247.15.

The State Engineer proposed that assessments for 1934 be based on an average of the acre feet used for a period of 5 years, - 1929 to 1933 inclusive, except the primary users which were proposed to be based on the water decreed by the Morse Decree, reduced to acre feet, - all as follows:

Name	Ac. Ft.
Utah & Salt Lake Canal Co.	59,216 ✓
East Jordan Irrigation Co.	38,238 ✓
Salt Lake City	23,870 ✓
South Jordan Canal Co.	32,625 ✓
North Jordan Canal Co.	15,082 ✓
Draper Irrigation Co.	7,199 ✓
Utah Lake Distributing Co.	25,114 ✓
Provo Reservoir Co.	2,783 ✓
Utah Copper Co.	29,769 ✓
Bennion Ditch - Irrigation	1,800 ✓
Bennion Mill - Power	29,200 ✓
West Jordan Mill - Power	21,900 ✓
Gardner Ditch - Irrigation	1,900 ✓
Galena Ditch - Irrigation	1,836 ✓
U. S. Smelter - Smelting	12,410 ✓
Beekstead Ditch - Irrigation	4,320 ✓
South Jordan Mill - Power	16,790 ✓
Mousley Ditch - Irrigation	720 ✓

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The State Engineer asked for objections to the basis as proposed, - there being none, he said it was assumed that all acquiesced thereto.

The matter of budget was next considered, it being moved by W. D. Beers, seconded by Hyrum Bennion and unanimously carried that the Water Commissioner and Deputy River Commissioner be paid \$250 and \$75 per month, respectively, for a 12 month period beginning April 1 and that the Deputy Commissioner's salary be paid one-half by the water users as a whole and one-half by the Board of Canal Presidents. It was moved by J. R. Allen, duly seconded and unanimously carried that an item of \$175 be set up in the budget for telephone, equipment, insurance, etc. It was moved by Jos. Hibbard, duly seconded and unanimously carried that the State Engineer's office be allowed \$110 for expenses of stenographer etc. After discussion it was moved by J.R. Allen, seconded by W.D. Beers and unanimously carried that \$300 be set up in the budget as an item to cover uncollected accounts.



The matter of nominations for Water Commissioner for the season of 1934 was next considered, H.C. Jessen being nominated by J.R. Allen and John Tuttle by Jos. Hibbard. There was some discussion as to the basis of voting. The State Engineer said it would be done as in 1932 and 1933, - on the basis of acre feet used (as set out in above table), to which Mr. Keyser protested on the grounds that it should be done by individuals, each canal user having one vote. The State Engineer said that record would be made of the votes and the matter referred to the Attorney-General for an opinion and decision. The vote was as follows:

<u>Name of Voter</u>	<u>For Jessen</u>	<u>For Tuttle</u>
Utah & Salt Lake Canal Co.	59,216	
East Jordan Irrigation Co.	38,238	
Salt Lake City		23,870
South Jordan Canal Co.		32,625
North Jordan Canal Co.		15,082
Draper Irrigation Co.	7,199	
Utah Lake Distributing Co.	25,114	
Provo Reservoir Co.	2,783	
Utah Copper Co.	29,769	
Bennion Ditch, - Irrigation		1,800
Gardner Ditch - Irrigation		1,900
Galena Ditch - Irrigation	(Not voting)	
Beckstead Ditch - Irrigation		4,320
Mousley Ditch - Irrigation	(Not voting)	
Bennion Mill - Power		29,200
West Jordan Mill - Power	(Not voting)	
U.S. Smelter - Smelting		12,410
South Jordan Mill - Power		16,790

Mr. George D. Keyser, representing Salt Lake City, protested the vote of J.R. Allen of East Jordan Irrigation Company on the grounds that said company at its meeting of Board of Directors had instructed Mr. Allen to vote against Mr. Jessen. The State Engineer said this would be investigated.

The State Engineer said that it was his opinion since the Primary Users didnot contribute to the payment of a Water Commissioner they should have no vote in his election. To this the Mousley, Beckstead and Bennion Ditches objected. The vote was recorded as a matter of record to be referred to the Attorney-General for opinion.

The State Engineer read a report of the probable available water for the season of 1934 prepared by Mr. Jessen, and advised the water users of a cruise which would be made under CEA Project No. 82 and 222 to determine the irrigable area under all of the canals.



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The State Engineer advised that the minutes of the meeting, together with record of voting, would be submitted to the Attorney-General for opinion, upon receipt of which the water users would be advised as to whom had been elected for Commissioner.

Mr. Keyser and Mr. Hibbard asked for certified copies of the minutes and were informed by the State Engineer that same would be provided.

Upon motion, the meeting was adjourned.

T.H. Humpherys,  
STATE ENGINEER

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